



Transition

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Purpose



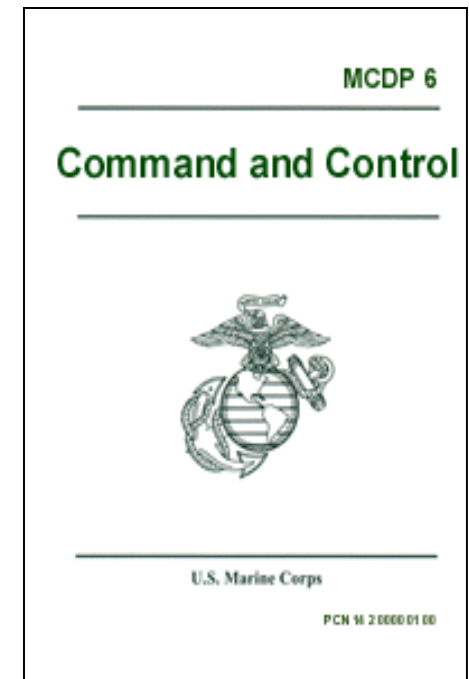
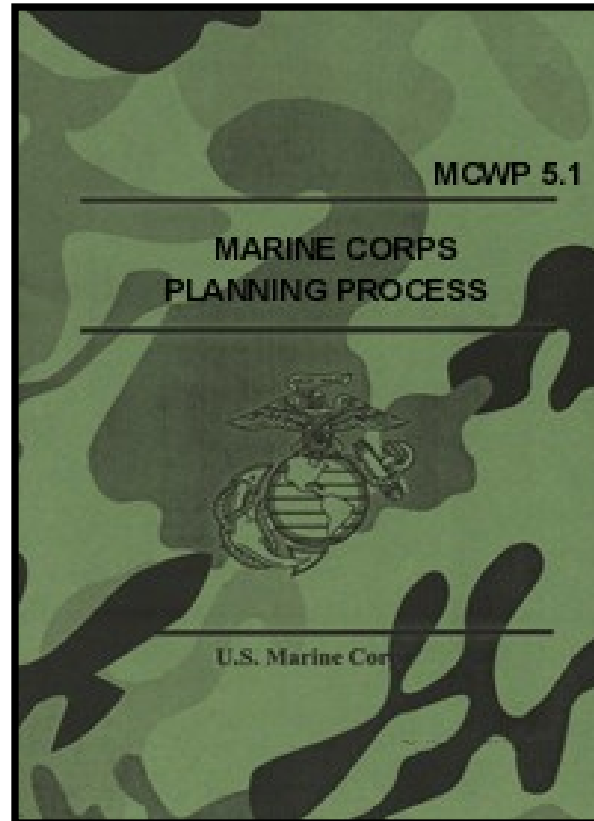
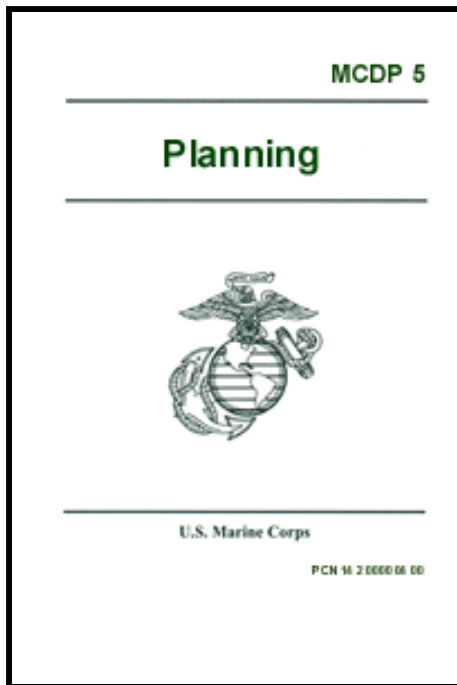
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- Discuss why transitioning the plan is important
- How transition occurs

References



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Purpose Of Transition

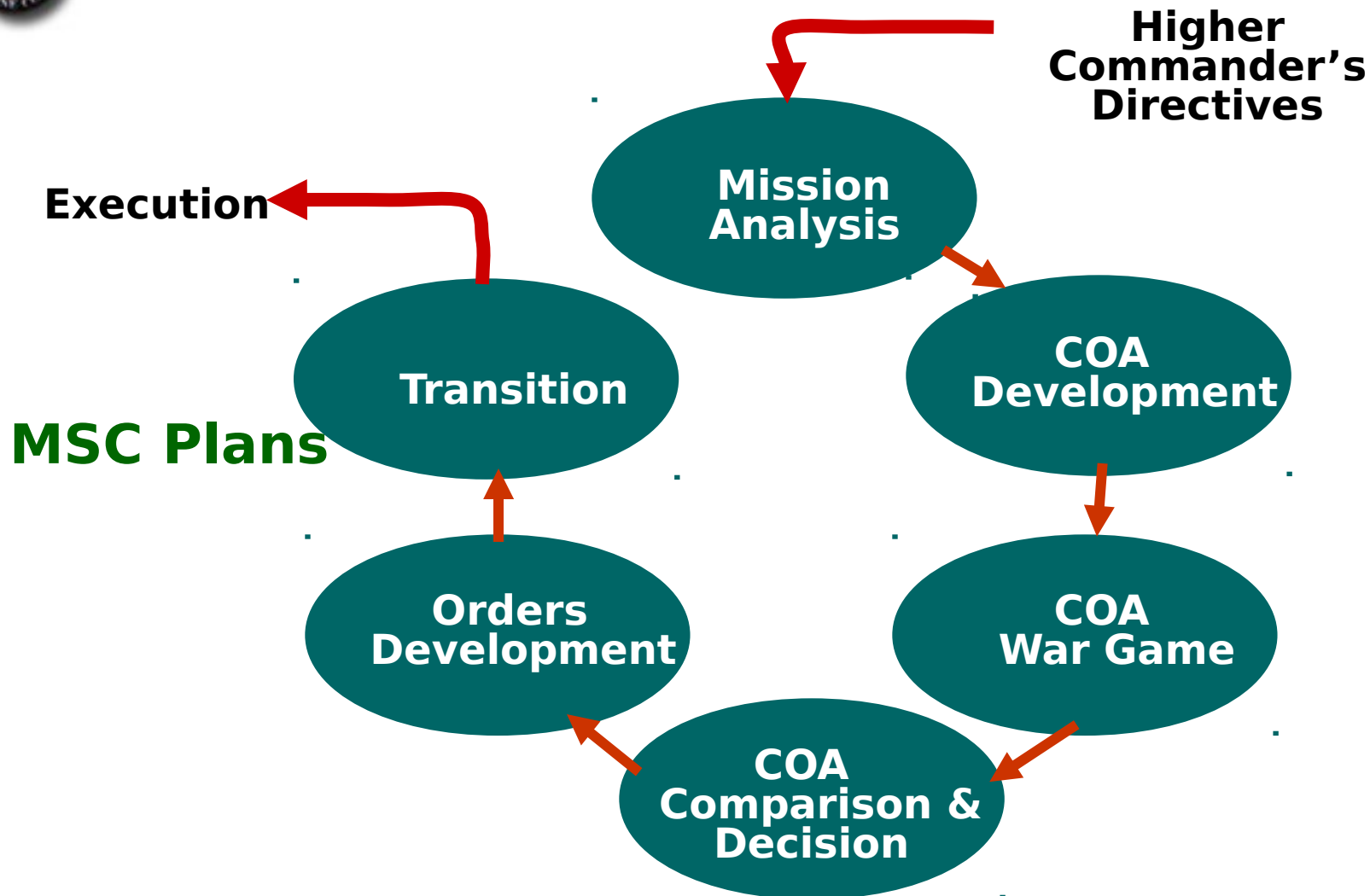
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- To provide a **successful shift from planning to execution**
- It enhances the **situational awareness** of those who will execute the order, maintains the **intent of the concept of operations**, promotes **unity of effort**, and generates **tempo** MCWP 5-1

Marine Corps Planning Process



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Transition



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Process:

- Transition brief
- Internal/External
 - Drills
 - Confirmation brief

Output:

Input:

- *OPORD/OPLAN*

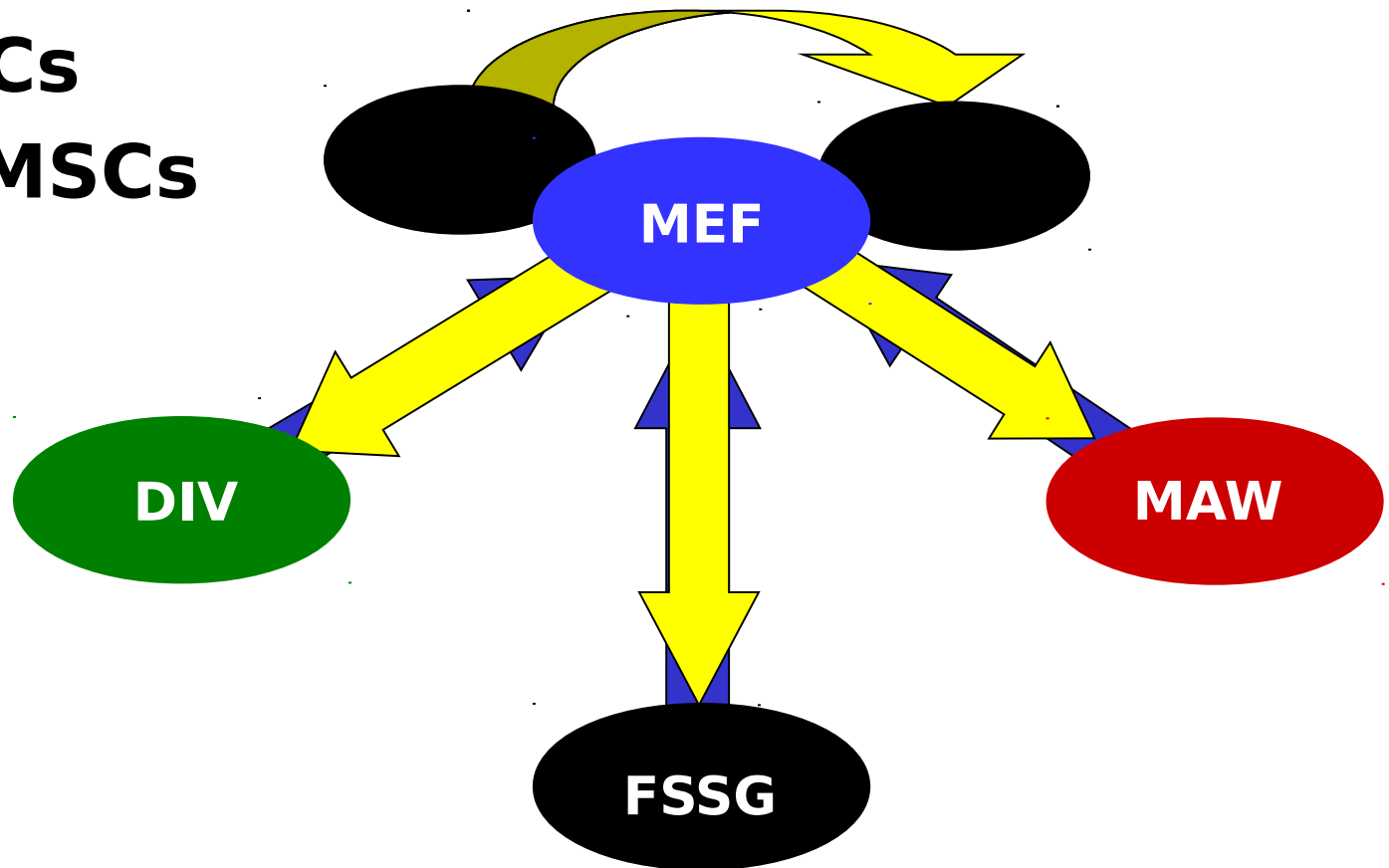
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How?



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- **Within MEF HQ**
- **To MSCs**
- **From MSCs**



How?



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Commander

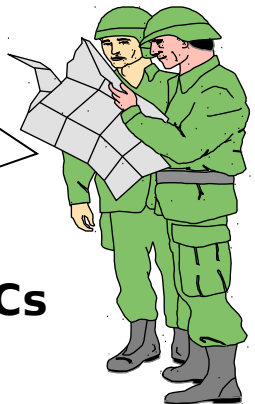


- Intent
- Concept of Ops
- Tasks

We understand...

- Your intent
- Your Concept of Ops
- Our missions

MSCs



Responsibilities



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Chief of Staff

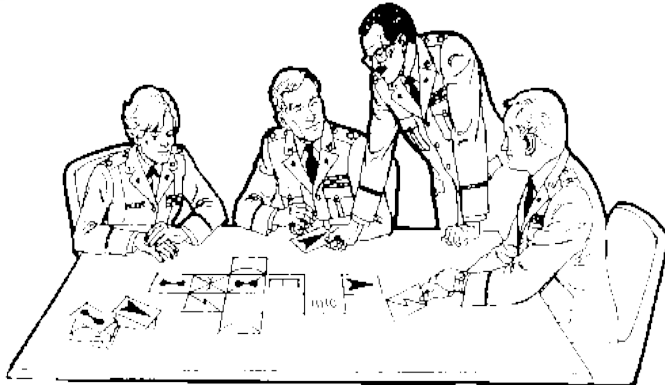


- **Orders Development**
- **Transition Guidance**
 - Who should be there?
 - What should be briefed?
 - The sequence of the brief
 - The format of the brief?
 - Time available?

Responsibilities



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Planners

- **Maintain records**
- **Prepare/conduct briefs and drills**
- **Designate a proponent**



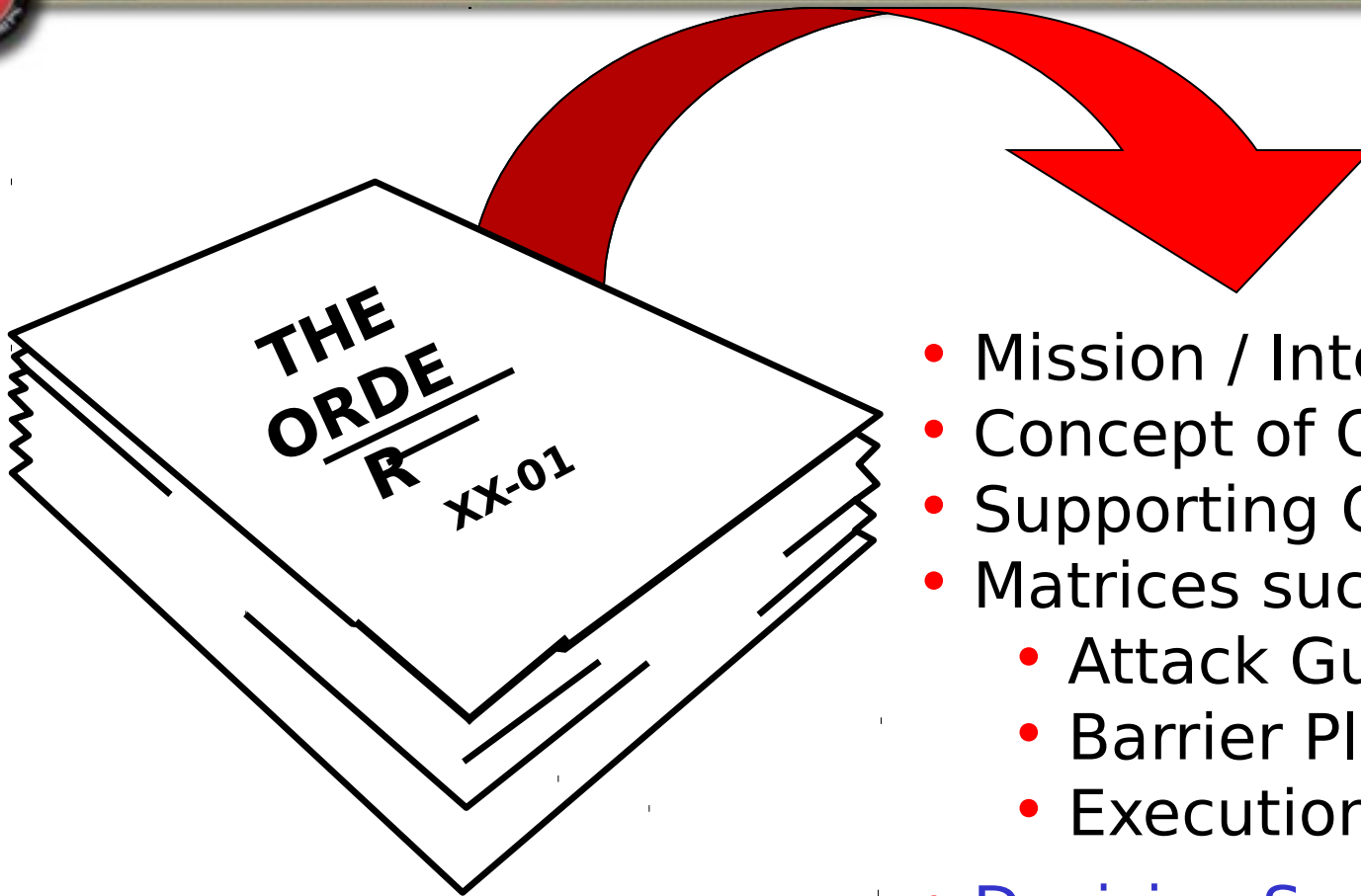
Executors

- **Appoint representative to OPT**
- **Receive transition briefs**
- **Participate in the internal drills**
- **Conduct external briefs and drills**

Products - The Order



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- Mission / Intent
- Concept of Ops
- Supporting Concepts
- Matrices such as:
 - Attack Guidance Matrix
 - Barrier Plan
 - Execution Checklist
- Decision Support Template
- Decision Support Matrix
- Synchronization Matrix

Briefs



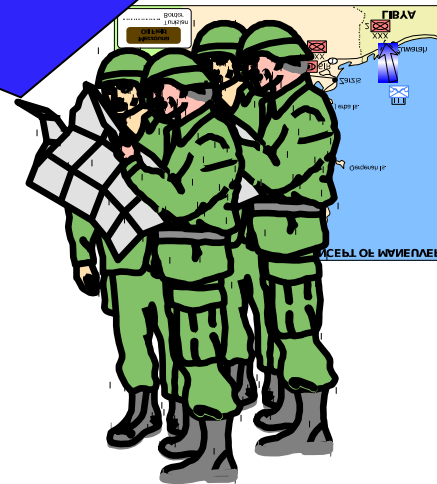
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-Planners (FOPS)
-COPS

-Executors
-COPS
-MSCS

TIME

TRANSITION GUIDANCE **BRIEF CONTENT**



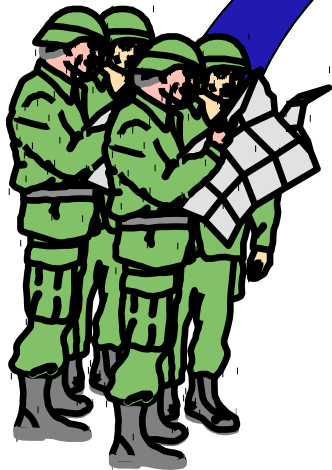
- HHQ Mission (tasks and intent)
- Mission
- Commander's Intent
- CCIRs
- Task Organization
- Situation (friendly and enemy)
- Concept of Ops and Supporting Concepts
- Execution (including branches/sequels)
- Coordinating Instructions
- Decision Points
- Decision Support Template/Matrix
- Assessment Process

Drills



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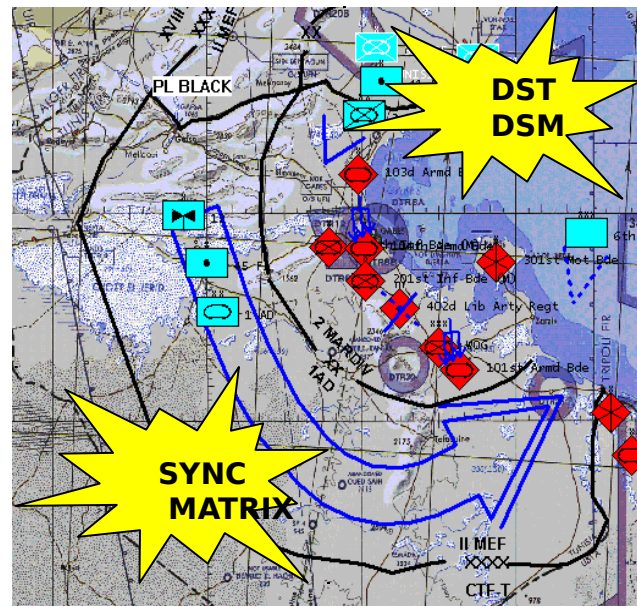
Future Ops



INTERNAL

- Review flow of event
- Demonstrate use of Planning Support Tools

Current Ops
MEF Staff

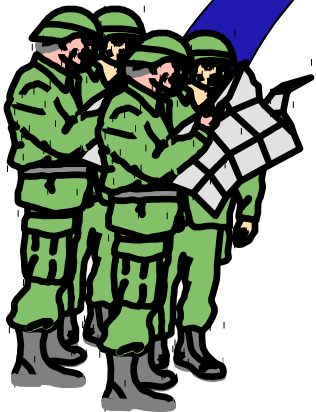




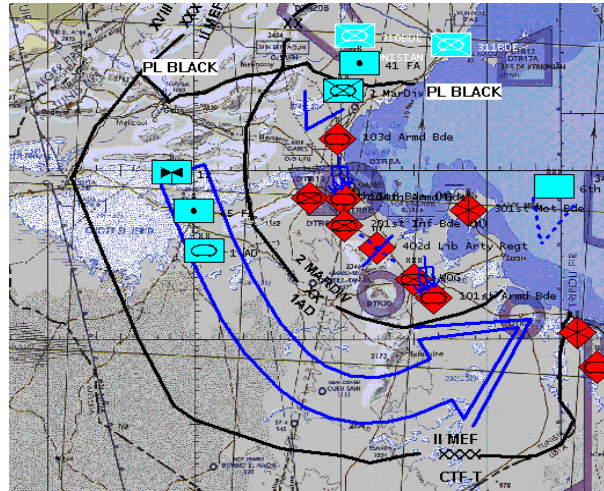
Drills

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**CURRENT OPS
MEF STAFF**



EXTERNAL



MSCs/STAFFS



Discuss: “HOW's” and “WHAT IF's”

REHEARSALS

- Sand Tables
- ROC
- MAPEX
- COMMEX

FUNCTIONAL REHEARSALS

- Fire Support
- Log
- Intel

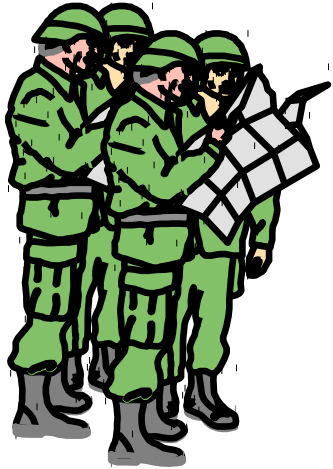
Staff Visits

Confirmation Brief



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MSCs Show **Understanding Of:**



- Commander's Intent
- Their Tasks and Purpose
- How they fit into overall Plan

Allows Commander To:

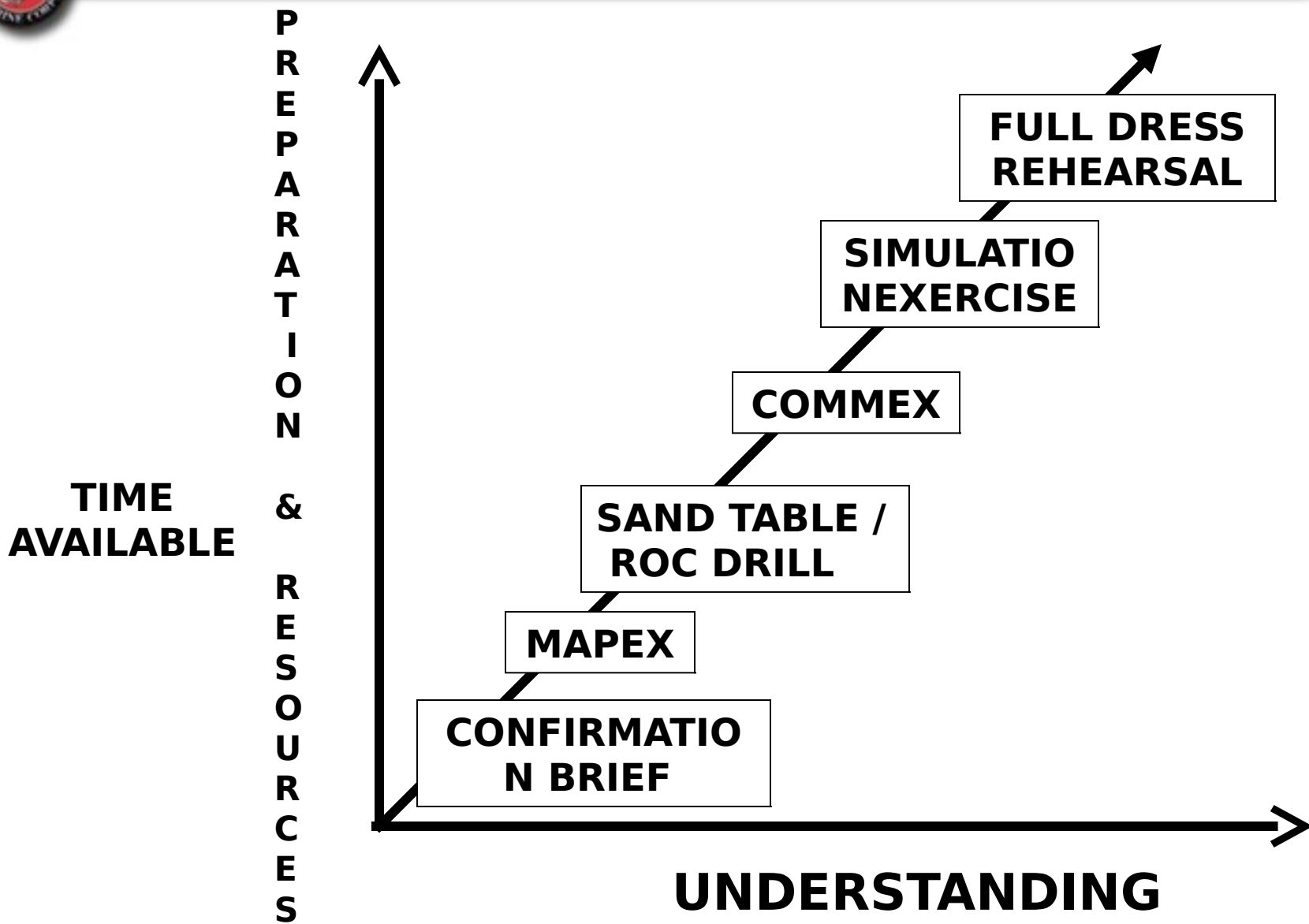


- Learn how MSCs plan to accomplish their assigned missions
- Identify gaps in plan
- Identify discrepancies between plans



Transition vs. Time

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Output:

Subordinate commanders and staffs that are prepared to:

- Execute the order & possible branches
- Plan sequels

Summary



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